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## Application Procedure:

1. Surfaces must be clean and free from any material that may prevent adhesion. Use alcohol to remove oils, frost, and other contamination from all working surfaces.
2. Allow pressure treated lumber to weather six months prior to sealant application.
3. Maintain product at room temperature before applying to ensure easy gunning and tooling.
4. Most applications will not require priming. It is the applicators responsibility to determine if priming will be needed.
5. If you are using a euro-style cartridge, remove nozzle and cut tip of nub. If you are using a standard cartridge, simply cut tip of nozzle to desired size.
6. Puncture foil seal with a large enough apparatus to promote easy flow of material.
7. Screw nozzle onto cartridge and cut tip on slant for a 1/4" to 3/8" bead.
8. Place in cartridge gun.
9. Force sealant into clean joint. Always apply sealant in bead form. To ensure neat sealant lines, mask areas adjacent to joints. Once sealant is dry to the touch and does not transfer, remove masking tape.
10. If tooling is needed it should be done within 10-15 minutes. Higher temperatures and humidity will reduce open time.
11. It is the sole responsibility of the user to thoroughly test any proposed use with all substrates to determine project suitability.
12. Please refer to cold environment installation guidelines for applications below 32°F (0°C)

## Clean up Procedure:

1. Remove larger portions of wet sealant with putty knife or clean dry rag
2. Remove remaining residue with alcohol
3. Do not use water or petroleum solvents
4. Cured sealant can be removed by scapping or abrading

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